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Application of: Stuart A. Newman, et al.

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For: SPLICE CHOICE ANTAGONISTS AS THERAPEUTIC AGENTS

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sirs:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on July 30, 2003 having a response due October 30, 2003. This response is filed within two months of the mailing date of the final action. Please consider the following amendments and remarks regarding the above-referenced patent application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

**Conclusion** begins on page 15 of this paper.